

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2, 3, 5, 9, 10, 12 and 16 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please amend claims 1, 6, 15 and 17 as follows:

LISTING OF CURRENT CLAIMS

Claim 1. (currently amended) An angle adjusting device for a paddle of a cymbal stand having a transmission rod and a bracket with two arms, the angle adjusting device comprising:

5 a pivoting block adapted to be pivotally connected between the two arms of the bracket and connected to the transmission rod wherein the pivoting block has a through hole centrally defined in the pivoting block for an extension of a pivot sandwiched between the two arms of the bracket so that the pivoting block is pivotally connected between the two arms of the bracket, two tongues extending from an outer periphery of the pivoting block, an arcuate extension formed outside
10 the pivoting block and a slot defined between the two tongues to be in communication with the through hole such that the pivot is able to be securely yet pivotally received in the through hole by tightening the two tongues via a securing element; and

15 an adjusting bracket movably connected to the pivoting block and adapted to connect to a distal end of the paddle such that the movement of the adjusting bracket changes an angle of the paddle.

Claim 2. (canceled)

Claim 3. (canceled)

Claim 4. (original) The angle adjustment device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the adjusting bracket has two side plates each having a channel defined

therein and a bottom plate integrally formed with distal ends of the two side plates and having a path defined in the bottom plate.

Claim 5. (canceled)

Claim 6. (currently amended) The angle adjusting device as claimed in claim 3 1, wherein adjusting bracket has two side plates each having a channel defined therein to align with the through hole of the pivoting block and a bottom plate integrally formed with distal ends of the two side plates and having a path defined in the bottom plate to receive therein a stop formed on the pivoting block.

Claim 7. (original) The angle adjusting device as claimed in claim 6, wherein the stop is formed on a plan face formed on the pivoting block such that the stop is able to selectively abut two opposite inner faces of the path.

Claim 8. (original) The angle adjusting device as claimed in claim 1 further having a first linkage securely connected to distal ends of the two side plates of the adjusting bracket and adapted to connect to a distal end of the paddle.

Claim 9. (canceled)

Claim 10. (canceled)

Claim 11. (original) The angle adjusting device as claimed in claim 4 further having a first linkage connected to distal ends of the two side plates of the adjusting bracket and adapted to connect to a distal end of the paddle.

Claim 12. (canceled)

Claim 13. (original) The angle adjusting device as claimed in claim 6 further having a first linkage connected to distal ends of the two side plates of the adjusting bracket and adapted to connect to a distal end of the paddle.

Claim 14. (original) The angle adjusting device as claimed in claim 7 further having a first linkage connected to distal ends of the two side plates of the adjusting bracket and adapted to connect to a distal end of the paddle.

Claim 15. (currently amended) The angle adjusting device as claimed in claim ~~40~~ 11 further having a second linkage with a first distal end securely connected to an outer periphery of the arcuate extension and a second distal end adapted to connect to a distal end of the transmission rod.

Claim 16. (canceled)

Claim 17. (currently amended) The angle adjusting device as claimed in claim ~~42~~ 11 further having a second linkage with a first distal end securely connected to an outer periphery of the arcuate extension and a second distal end adapted to connect to a distal end of the transmission rod.

Claim 18. (original) The angle adjusting device as claimed in claim 13 further having a second linkage with a first distal end securely connected to an outer periphery of the arcuate extension and a second distal end adapted to connect to a distal end of the transmission rod.

Claim 19. (original) The angle adjusting device as claimed in claim 14 further having a second linkage with a first distal end securely connected to an outer periphery of the arcuate extension and a second distal end adapted to connect to a distal end of the transmission rod.